# Update on the Construction, Operation and Performance of the Stormwater Treatment Areas

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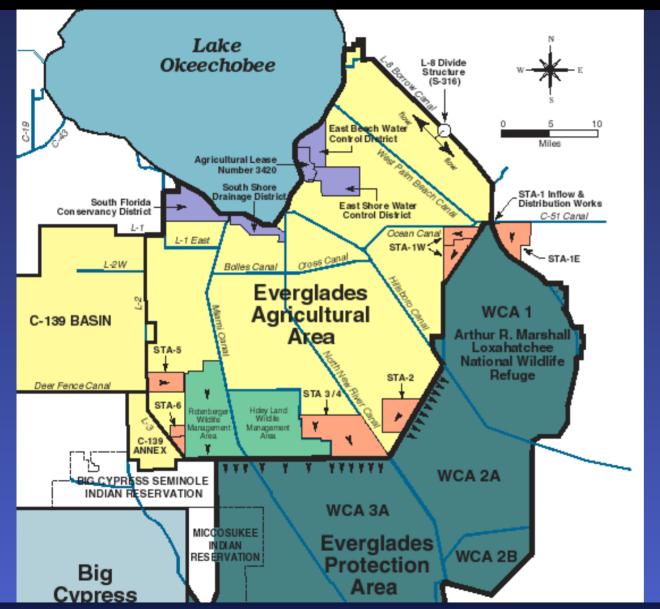
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# **Overview**

- STAs Six large constructed wetlands totaling over 41,000 acres implemented by the South Florida Water Management District and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
  - Everglades Settlement Agreement
  - Everglades Forever Act
- Phosphorus reduction target: 50 ppb
  - in conjunction with upstream Best Management Practices





STA-1W, STA-2, STA-5 and STA-6 are operational (18,093 acres)

STA-1E and STA-3/4 are under construction (21,830 acres)

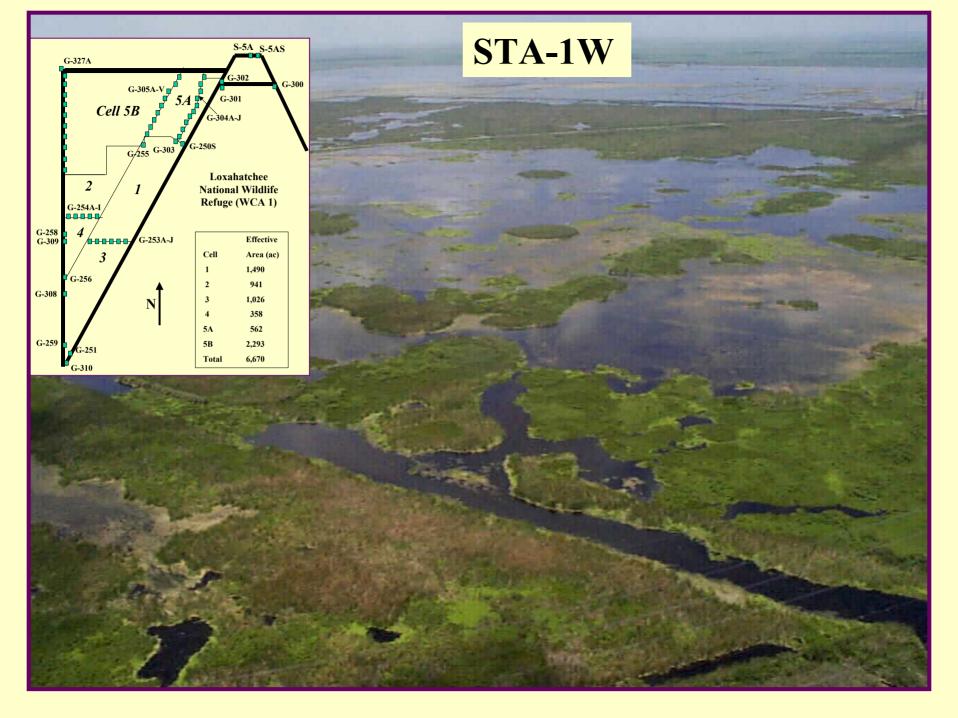
STA-6 Section 2 is in design (1,500 acres)

# **STA Performance**

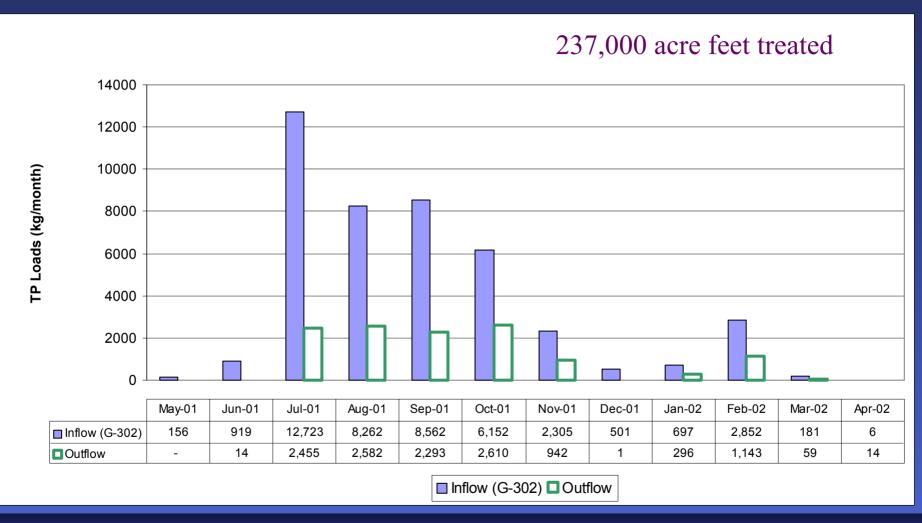
- Water Year 2002 Performance
  - > 670,000 acre feet water treated; inflow 143 ppb
  - Average discharge concentration of 39 ppb
  - > 84 metric tons of TP removed (71% removal)
  - > EAA BMPs: 55% load reduction

- > Performance to date
  - Over 200 metric tons of phosphorus removed
  - > EAA BMPs: 3-yr average of 59% load reduction



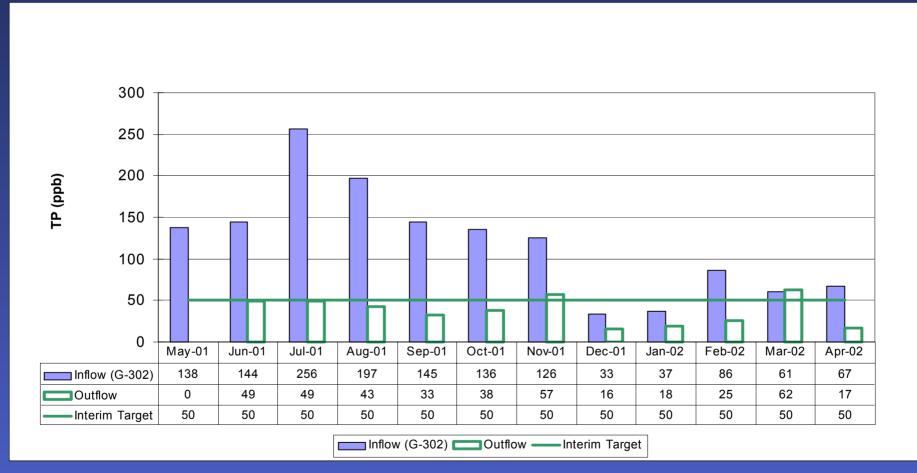


#### **STA-1W Load Reductions - Water Year 2002**

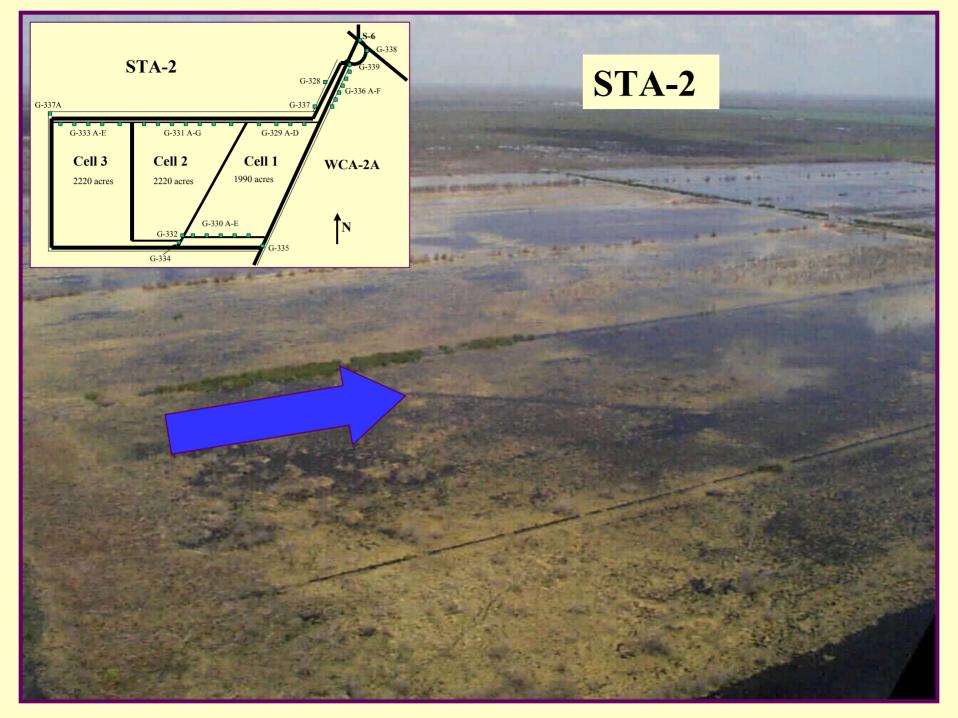




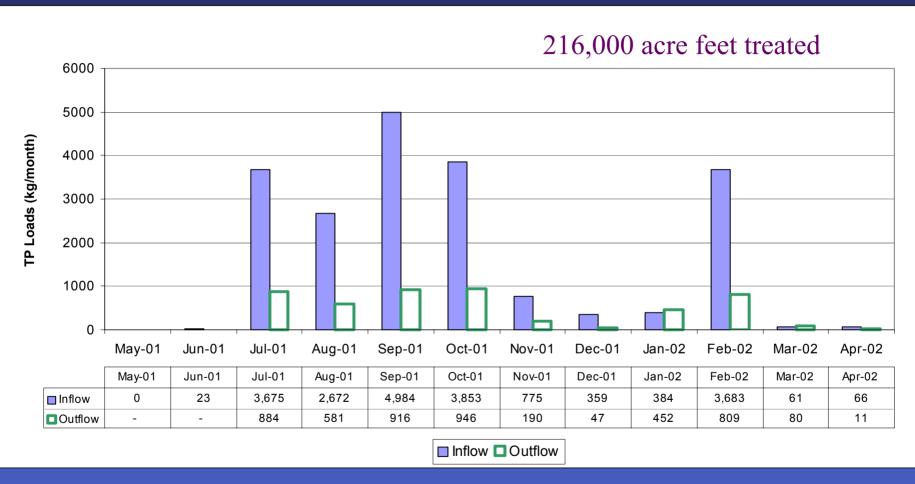
## STA-1W P Concentrations - Water Year 2002 Discharge = 38 ppb



To date: average discharge concentration = 27 ppb



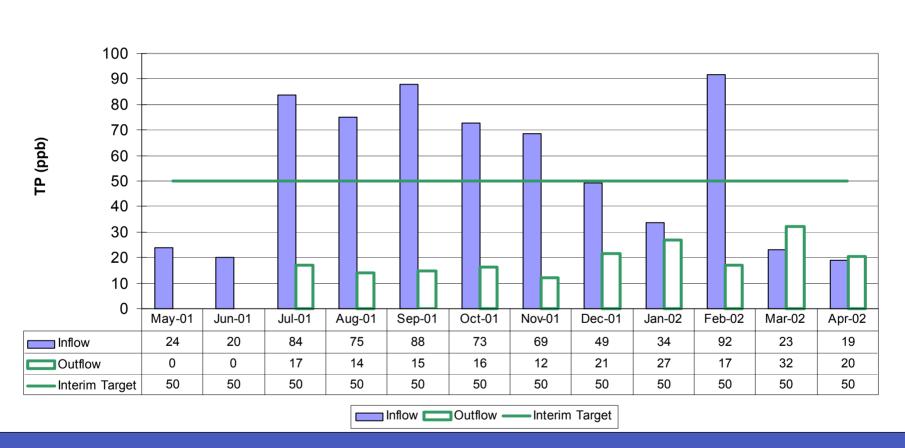
#### **STA-2 Load Reductions - Water Year 2002**



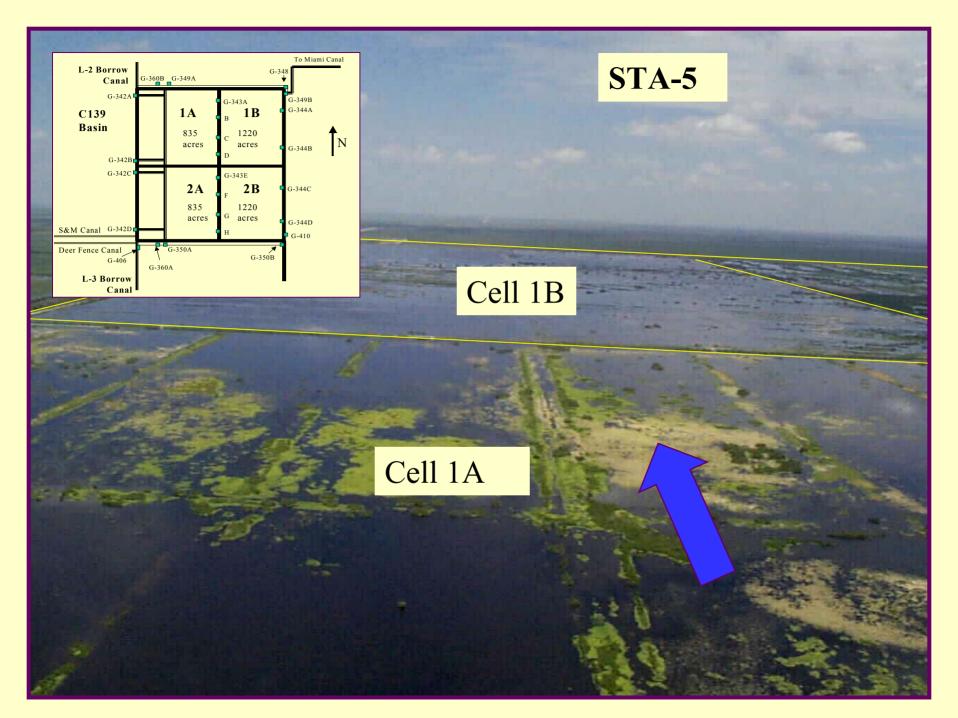
Over 15 tons removed to date



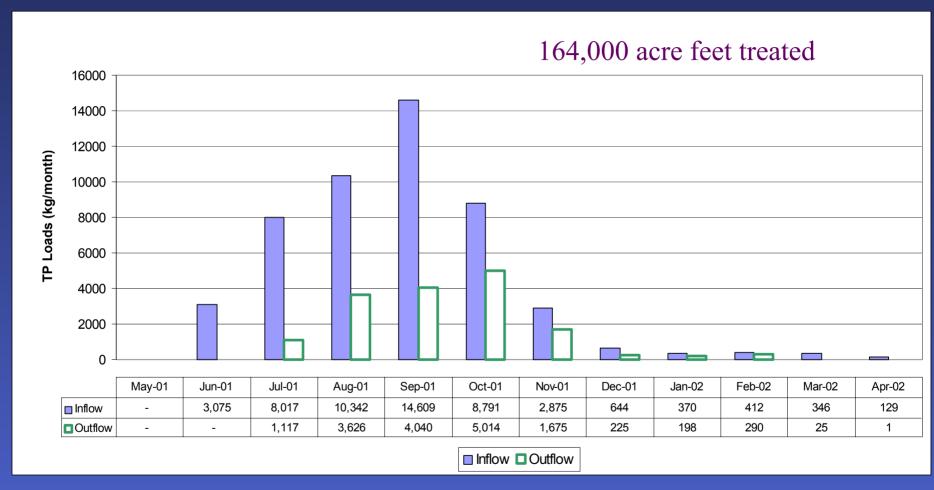
## STA-2 P Concentrations - Water Year 2002 Discharge = 16 ppb



To date: average discharge concentration = 16 ppb



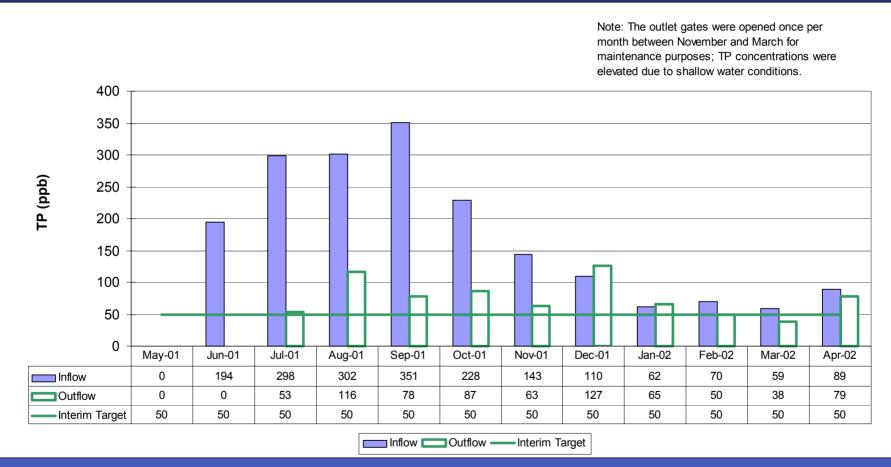
#### **STA-5 Load Reductions - Water Year 2002**



Over 41 tons removed to date



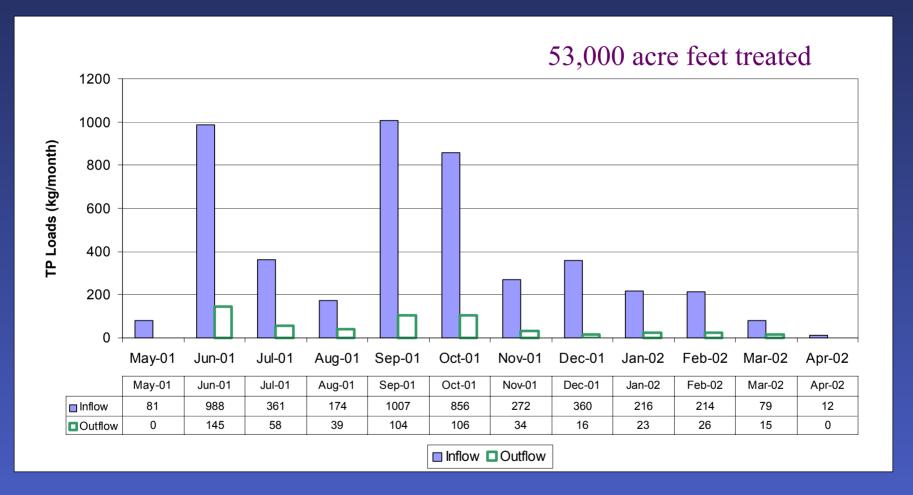
## STA-5 P Concentrations - Water Year 2002 Discharge = 78 ppb (inflow = 245 ppb)



To date: average discharge concentration = 87 ppb



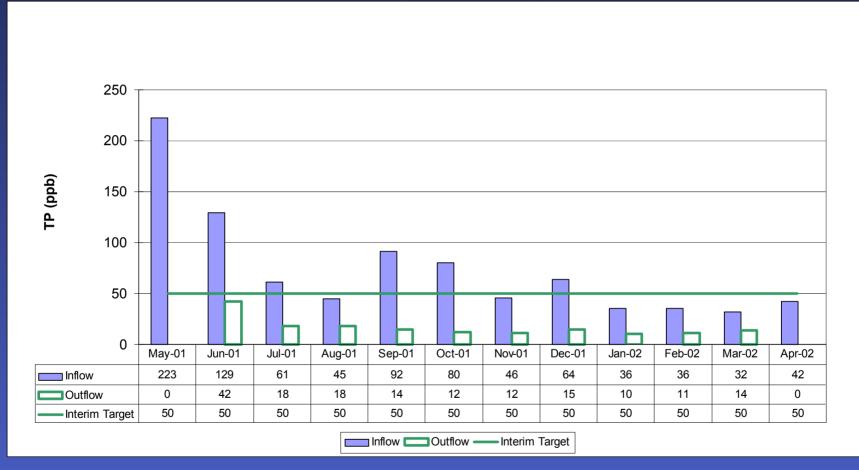
#### STA-6 (1) Load Reductions - Water Year 2002



Over 17 tons removed to date

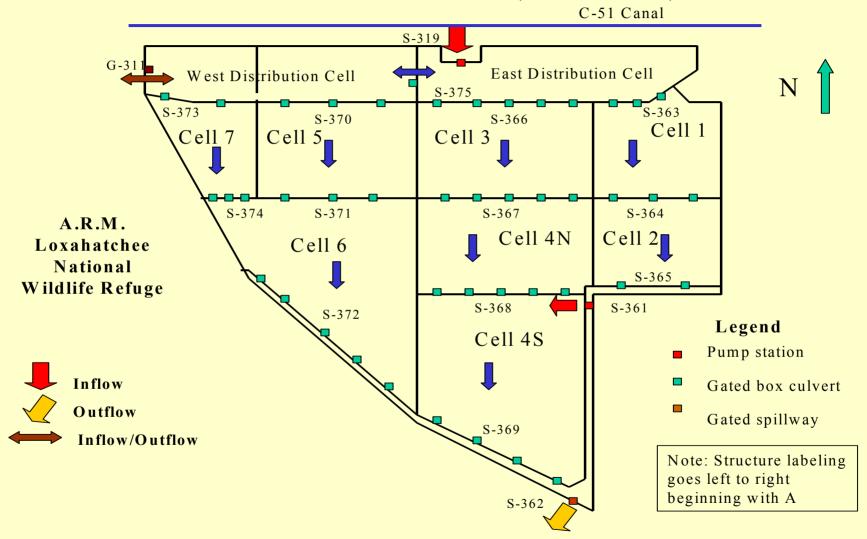


## STA-6 (1) P Concentrations - Water Year 2002 Discharge = 16 ppb



To date: average discharge concentration = 19 ppb **SEWING.GOV** 

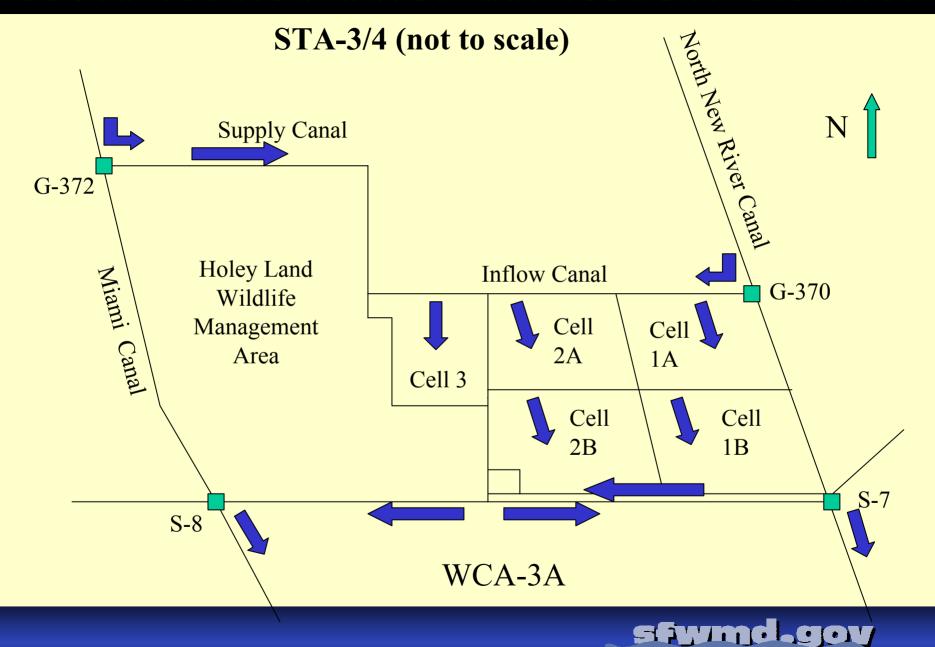
#### Schematic of STA-1 East (not to scale)



## **STA-1 East**

- Under construction by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Will provide 5,350 acres of treatment area
- Designed to treat C-51W and EAA runoff
- Pump stations completion June 2003
- June 2003 completion for eastern flowway (Cells 1 and 2)
- January 2004 remaining construction completion





# **STA-3/4**

- Under construction by SFWMD
- Will provide 16,480 acres of treatment area
- Designed to treat EAA runoff and Lake Okeechobee releases
- Target load reduction of over 40 tons per year
- Scheduled for construction completion Oct 2003



## **Additional Information**

- > 2003 Everglades Consolidated Report
  - available on-line: http://www.sfwmd.gov/org/ema/everglades/index.html
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